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Applicant : Vahid Saadat  
Application No.: 09/746,579 Confirmation No.: 1598  
Filed: : December 20, 2000  
For : MULTI-BARBED DEVICE FOR RETAINING TISSUE  
IN APPOSITION AND METHODS OF USE  
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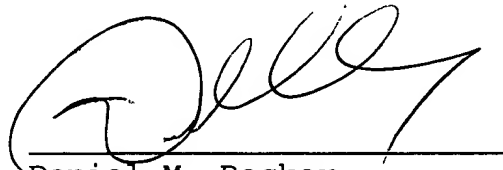
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